# Citizens Clean Elections Commission Executive Director Report October 20, 2006 (For the 10/25/06 meeting)

#### Announcements

- We have moved our candidate and enforcement files in order to accommodate an office for Christina Murphy. Please stop by and check out our new set up.
- KAET Channel 8 (Phoenix) will be airing PBS "Now" this Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. The one hour episode will focus on the "nationwide clean elections movement" and will prominently feature several Arizona candidates.
- A new lawsuit was just filed against the CCEC by the Arizona Republican Party. This litigation challenges the CCEC's interpretation of "slate mailers" by the party pursuant to ARS Section 16-901(8)(c). A hearing is scheduled for the morning of October 26<sup>th</sup>.

## Participation

• We have disbursed \$4.22 million to 96 participating candidates for the 2006 General election cycle.

### Budget

• The Fund Balance is \$27.6 million as of September 30, 2006.

## **Voter Education**

- All of the general election debates have been completed and are available on the Commission's website.
- Arizona Western College, Access Tucson and KUAT News will be airing legislative debates.
- The Candidate Statement Pamphlets have arrived at every household in Arizona with at least one registered voter.

## Enforcement

- 2006 33 Complaints total
  - o 20 closed
  - o 13--pending complaints: See enforcement tracking list for details and status.
- 2004 81 complaints total.
  - o 80 completed and closed.
  - o 1 under investigation (Murphy –hearing schedule for November 16, 2006).